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kind with any person, firm, association.

company, corporation, private, public and municipal, or body politic, and with the United States Government or any State,

Territory or dependency thereof, or with any

foreign Government or State or any de

partment or officer or agent thereof, in-

cluding the power to sell, let or hire any of

its steamers or sailing vessels or other

property to such Government or State or for its use for any purpose or object what-

ever, naval, military, or other, upon such

terms or conditions and for such times a

powers, and said objects or powers shall

holders' meeting held last Monday, at which

DUN & CO. MEN FREED.

Charge of Conspiracy Against a Rival

Concern Falls.

The charges against Francis L. Minton, one of the firm of R. G. Dun & Co., and

Peter R. Gatens, lawyer for the concern,

who were accused of conspiracy to injure

he business of the International Mercantile

Agency, were dismissed by Magistrate

The case was prosecuted by Assistant

TO RESTRICT SKY SIGNS.

-Supt. Stewart for Abelition.

teelf to secure an amendment to the Build-

ing law restricting the height of sky signs

ROOM FOR ALL AT NEW MARKET.

Fish Pediers Find That Business Prospers

at Their New Stand.

distribution of stalls in the fish market at

the new East River bridge yesterday morn-

ing, and when it was over every applicant had a stand. It was the first real business day, and after the closing of the market there were few hawkers who were not sold

JEROME PROMOTES NOTT

of Salary.

Playwright Thomas Anxious for Fight.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., April 1 .- Although

Augustus Thomas, the playwright, is anxious

Augustus Thomas, the playwright, is anxious to have the Grand Jury consider the charge of assault made against him by Editor William Sweet of New Rochelle, and was present in the court house to-day to appear before that body, the jury adjourned without having the matter presented for their consideration. Mrs. Sweet, who, it is alleged, saw Mr. Thomas strike the editor, is ill and could not appear before the Grand Jury. The matter has been adjourned until May.

86,000 Plum for Herbert R. Brush.

Herbert R. Brush, who has been ap-

pointed Assistant Corporation Counsel in

Brooklyn as the successor of R. Percy Chittenden, at a salary of \$6,000 a year, is a

son of ex-Senator George W. Brush, who has long been prominent in the Republican organization in Kings County. He served as an Assistant Corporation Counsel during Mayor Wurster's administration, and also as Assistant United States District Attorday, resigning the latter place on Jan. 1 last. He was formerly a member of the law firm of Arnoux, Rich & Woodford.

Corbett Held on Extortion Charges.

Michael Corbett was held for trial in the

forkville police court yesterday on the

charge of extorting money from pushcart

pedlers at the Saturday market on Firs

pediers at the Saturday market on First avenue. Corbett was arrested on March 21 by two of Inspector Schmittberger's men who were disguised as pediers, and thirty pediers were in court ready to testify that they had paid the defendant 15 to 25 cents each Saturday for eight or nine months.

Grahams Policy's Will Filed.

The will of Grahams Polley was filed

yesterday in the Surrogate's office. It bequeaths all his property to his sister,

Mrs. Mary Welch of 677 Second avenue. He didn't leave much, as all his property had gone to his trustees in bankruptcy.

Commissioner Woodbury completed the

Pool in the Tombs police court yesterday.

amended charter.

the company may see fit."

CALL TOWN

Centrali zation Bill Has a Job in It for F. A. Wheeler—He Will Purchase All the Supplies—The Appointment of a Medical Inspector Is Favored.

According to an officer of the State Charities Aid Association, which is strongly optralization of the control of the State icepitals for the Insane, there is an inter-

eting story back of the bill, The bill which has passed the Senate crovides, first, for a treasurer for all the bospitals, and, second, for the purchase of staple supplies by an agent to be appointed by the commission instead of by the stewards, as at present.

"The real purpose of this provision," said the official referred to," is to legalize the position and the power to purchase of F A. Wheeler, who since 1890 has been by appointment of the commission the pur hasing steward for the Long Island and the Manhattan State hospitals. These hospitals, between them, consist of five institutions, with a total of about 11,000 patients and 1.800 officers end employees Thus Mr. Wheeler, who, by the way, is a brother-in-law of State Senator John Raines, has been buying supplies for about half the State's insane.

"Now, it seems that there is no provision in the law for the position held by Mr. Wheeler or for the making of purchases by him. The laws state that these duties shall be performed by the stewards of the eve ral hospitals, and each of the five institutions for which Mr. Wheeler has been buying has its own resident steward.

Some time ago one of the medical superintendents of one of these institutions refused to sign a voucher for purchases made by Mr. Wheeler on the ground that they were not authorized by the resident steward. The dispute was taken to the

they were not authorized by the resident steward. The dispute was taken to the State Lunacy Commission, and the commission decided that the medical superintendent was right.

"It was then decided to change the law. At first the idea seems to have been simply to legalize Mr. Wheeler's present job and operations, but the argument then seems to have been advanced and adopted that so long as he was already buying for half the State insane he might as well be appointed agent for the whole State."

The State Charities official remarked that perhaps it was not without significance that when Senator Elsberg attacked the Ramsperger bill in the Senate Senator Raines defended the bill with great vigor.

Another feature of the bill, it was pointed out, was that it provides for one steward for the east and west parts of Manhattan State Hospital, instead of two as now. This is regarded as a slap at Dr. A. E. MacDonald, medical superintendent of the east hospital. Last year a bill providing for one instead of two medical superintendents for the east and west hospitals, which was considered to be aimed at Dr. MacDonald, was defeated at the eleventh hour through the efforts of the latter's friends. The new bill is supposed to be another way of getting at him, and it is said it would pave the way for "getting him out" later.

The proposed legislation at Albany for the appointment of a medical inspector for the State Lunacy Commission at a salary of \$5,000 a year is strongly favored by the State Charities Ald Association. This is provided in the bills introduced in the Senate by Dr. McCabe and in the lower house by Assemblyman Conkling.

"There appears to be some misunderstanding about this bill," said a State Charities Ald Association official, "It is not intended that the medical inspector should assume the offices of the medical member of the commission, but that he should assist the medical member in his duties, which are

assume the offices of the medical member of the commission, but that he should assist the medical member in his duties, which are beyond the strength of any one man, even if he should give his entire time to the work.

"A medical inspector is needed also to undertake duties which should be performed by the commission, but which have never been satisfactorily performed owing to the lack of the needed medical assistance which this bill aims to supply. The medical inspector will safeguard the welfare of the patients, nearly 1,000 in number, who are in the licensed private assylums who are not work. asylume who are not now in all cases re-ceiving proper medical inspection. He will also endeavor to prevent the detention of the insane in asylums which have not been licensed because of their failure to fulfil licensed because of their failure to fulfil the reasonable requirements of the law. There is reason to believe that many insane persons are now being subjected to improper treatment in such institutions. The legal and business members of the Lunacy Commission have each a corps of assistants, while the medical member has no medical assistant, although the supervision of the medical work of institutions for the insane is, perhaps, the most important of the commission's duties."

TROLLEY FROM PATCHOGUE. Franchise Will Help South Side Traction

Company to Reach This City. PATCHOOUE, L. I., April 1 .- A trolley franchise signed here to-day gives the South Side Traction Company the right to build a double track on Main street, this village, and to erect wooden or iron poles or use an underground system. There is a stipulation, however, that the local franchise does not become operative until the company builds the section of its line from Bellport to Sayville. J. F. Hayward, representative of the company, agreed to this condition, and the papers were signed this morning. The company has plans for obtaining franchises through South Side villages to the line of Greater

New York.
Mr. Hayward said this morning that Mr. Hayward said this morning that it was the company's intention to build a trolley road, equip it with the latest type of plant and operate it from Bellport to a point on the New York line where it would be possible to get trolley connection with Jamaica and thence to Long Island City. The road will be the first surface line to be built on the South Side of Long Island in Suffolk county. There has been for years an agitation for a cross-island trolley line from here to Port Jefferson on the North Side, and the indications are that the signing of the franchise this morning will give new life to the other project.

FOSTER NOT A SQUATTER. Paid Rent for House That Was Razed by

Court's Order, His Lawyer Declares. Lawyer Henry M. Gescheidt of 234 Broadway says he has been instructed to begin dings against Andrew K. Vandeventer, who got an order of ejectment against Smith Foster from Magistrate McLaughlin in the Jamaica Civil Court over a disputed plot of land, valued at \$1,000,000, at Rockaway Point. Foster's house and a couple of others near it were burned and razed on Tuesday. Lawyer Gescheidt has appealed from Magistrate McLaughlin's decision.

McLaughlin's decision.

Mr. Vandeventer says he has title for the property, having bought it from the late Colfis P. Huntington, but Mr. Gescheidt declares that the property is owned by the Lott estate, of which Jurien S. Lott is the agent. Mr. Gescheidt says that Mr. Foster was not a squatter, as Mr. Vandeventer afleges, but paid rent for the property to the Lott estate. Mr. Gescheidt produces deeds and titles which he says will prove that the property belongs to the Lott estate and not to Mr. Vandeventer.

Provisions for Baldwin-Zeigler Expedition The Hamburg-American steamship Graf Waldersee, which sails to-day, has 285 tons of provisions on board for the Baldwin-Riegier Arctic expedition. The expedition is now being fitted out at Tromsoe, Norway, and expects to be able to start northward in the first week of June in the re-

MAYOR'S S. I. FERRY PLAN. Wants a Helding Company to Get the Le —Better Service Insisted On-

Mayor Low submitted to the Sinking Fund Commission yesterday his solution of the Staten Island ferry problem. The lease owned by the existing ferry company runs out next March. The Baltimore and Ohio and the company which owns the Staten Island trolleys have been fighting to get the new ferry lease. Mayor Low suggested that it be awarded to an operating ompany to be formed by the two com This is his plan:

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This lease contemplates the formation of an operating company by both of the railroads concerned, which shall not be expected to pay dividends, but whose expense and income account shall be balanced every year. It contemplates the expenditure by the city, of \$025,000, more or less, for the purchase and improvement of terminals, including terminals at Stapleton and Port Richmond, and thit the city shall waive any charge for interest upon this outlay, or not the use of slips or for the franchise privilege, until it is earned by the ferry.

On the other hand, it contemplates the payment to the city, by each railroad company, of % cent for each passenger. This payment is to be made without any regard to the outcome of running the ferry; but if, at the end of any year, there is a deficiency on account of the operation of the ferry one-third of the deficiency may be deducted from this sum and the remainder of the deficiency is to be borne equally by the two railroad companies. The lease also contemplates that when the ferry company earns a profit—as it is likely to do long before the expirantion of the lease—the profit shall be used, first of all, to make good any of the deficiences which have been thus incurred, and, afterward, that the profits shall go to the city, as payment on account of rents, slips, and franchise.

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onditions:

A passenger ferry to St. George; freight ferries to Stapleton and Port Richmond.

Trips to be made between Whitehall street and St. George every ten minutes from 6 A. M. to 7.30 P. M., every half hour from 7.30 P. M. to 1 A. M. and every hour from 1 A. M. to 6 A. M.

Fares: Three cents a trip and ten tickets for 25 cents. Single horse and wagon, 5 cents: teams, 10 cents, and automobiles 10 cents.

cents.

Fifteen round trips a day between Stapleton and Port Richmond. Passenger fares to be 8 cents and for vehicles the same rates as charged to 8t. George.

All boats in the present service to be replaced by new, as rapidly as possible, except the Robert Garrett and the Castleton, and these two to be rebuilt.

All new boats to have a speed great enough to make twenty minutes to 8t. George the average running time in all weathers.

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The Mayor's plan was unanimously adopted by the commission.

GALLANT COP STOPS RUNAWAY Wells of the Bridge Squad Dragged Across

Park Row and Has Uniform Ruined. A brown horse attached to an express wagon owned and driven by James Anderson, a negro of 38 Fleet place, Brooklyn, of the Bridge shortly after noon yesterday and dashed across Park row. Policeman Joseph R. Wells of the Bridge squad jumped for the bridle and caught hold of the check line. As the horse ran out into Park row, Policeman Michael English shouted to the motorman of a passing car to warn him of danger and then grabbed at the bridle of the runaway. He missed it and caught hold of Wells. Both were thrown off their feet. English was thrown against a Third avenue elevated pillar and rolled into the

Wells was dragged clear agroes Park row before he brought the horse to a stand-still. A cheer went up from the crowd on the sidewalk. Wells's coat was torn off in the struggle and his uniform was

ruined
"I ain't hurt," he said. "I only got a few bumps on the left arm when we collided with the elevated railroad pillar."

CAN'T HAVE AGED WIFE'S MONEY Mrs. Barker's Sister Wins First Point in Fight for Her \$150,000.

The first round of the three-cornered fight for the \$150,000 left by Mrs. Jane Barker ended on Tuesday in favor of the plaintiff. Mrs. Antoinette P. Harrison. Mrs. Barker's sister. A jury answered in the affirmative the question, "Did Mrs. Barker leave any lineal descendante?" but Justice Scott in the Supreme Court, before

whom the case was tried, set the verdict aside. The other claimants are Maud and Charles The other claimants are Maud and Charles Kowald, who say that their father, Eugene Kowald, was a son of Mrs. Barker by her second marriage and her third husband, Cloyde K. Barker, who married her in April, 1902, when he was 25 and she 76. He asserts that she made an ante-nuptial agreement to give him all her property, but that he has lost her agreement. He didn't get a chance to introduce any evidence.

Mrs. Barker, it developed at the trial, made her money, which was in vested in real estate, in disorderly houses in the Tenderloin.

BROUGHT HOME TO MISS BARTON. she Saw Yesterday for the First Time How

Large Is the Movement to Betire Her. The publication yesterday of the memorial signed by prominent New Yorkers who have been among the largest contributors to the Red Cross, and who now support the movement under way in Washington toward a reorganization of the society and the retirement of Miss Clara Barton from its active management, gave Miss Barton her first knowledge that the opposition to her had extended to her friends ere. Her secretary made the announce nere. Her secretary made the announce-ment yesterday. Miss Barton herself had nothing to say. One of the signers of the memorial explained that it had been got up at the instance of ex-Secretary John W. Foster. The sentiments of the most promi-nent supporters of the organization in New York in the matter of reorganization might be plainly seen.

CITY PAYS GEN. ROE'S RENT. Sinking Fund Commission Thinks the State Ought To.

Mayor Low and the members of the Sinking Fund Commission are of the opinion that the State ought to pay for the main-tenance in this city of the headquarters of the State National Guard. Major-Gen. Roe has his headquarters in the Stewart Building. Heretofore the city has paid the rental of \$1,860 a year. The lease expires in May and an application was made by Gen. Roe yesterday for authority to renew the lease. The commission decided to look up the law.

\$20,000 Verdlet Against New York Central. St. Louis, Mo., April 1 .- A jury in the Lincoln County Circuit Court has awarded George A. Newcomb, president of the Newcomb Bros.' Wall Paper Company, \$20,000 gainst the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, Newcomb, on his way to the Pan-American Exposition and the G. A. R. Encampment, was misdirected in the Union Station at Buffalo by a porter, Newcomb's object being to visit a son in New York. Alighting hurriedly, he slipped on a grease spot and, falling beneath the train, his leg was severed. He sued for \$50,000 and the case was on trial in Lincoln county twelve

84,000 for a Bull Calf. Utica, April 1.—The highest price ever paid for a calf, \$4,000, has just been paid by Henry Stevens of Lacona, N. Y., to the rothertown stock farm of Oriskany Falls for a nine-weeks-old bull calf. Its dam for a ning-weeks-old buil calf. Its dam is Sadie Vale, the world's official champion butter cow, and its sire is Beryl Wayne, whose dam has an official record of twenty-seven pounds four ounces of butter in seven days. If blood and actual performance officially ascertained and determined tell, it is far and away the most promising Walstein, Friegian bull calf living to-day.

BURDEN HORSESHOE QUARRE I. TOWNSEND SAYS JAMES

DOESN'T PLAY FAIR. Suit Taken Into the U. S. Court Over the Royalties Paid to the Prevailing Brother on Patents, Use of Which is

Judge Lecombe of the United States District Court has issued an order directing James A. Burden to show cause why an injunction should not sesue restraining him from receiving from the Burden Iron Company of Troy about \$30,000 a year i royalties on certain patents. The order was issued upon the affidavit of I. Townsend Burden, a brother of James A. Burden and is returnable before Judge Lacomb injunction restraining the directors of the Burden Iron Company from making any more contracts with James A. Burden for the payment of royalties on the four pat-

The Burden Iron Company has one of the largest plants in the world for the manufacture of horseshoes, and is said to be worth more than \$10,000,000.

It was established many years ago by Henry Burden, the father of James A. and I. Townsend Burden. Then it was a partnership and was known as Henry Burden sons conducted the business for a time as a partnership, and then it was decided to form a corporation. The stock was to be 2,000 shares of \$1,000 each. One thousan shares were assigned to James A. Burden, 998 to I. Townsend Burden and two to John L. Arts, who was the general manager of

L. Arts, who was the general manager of the company.

From the beginning Arts is said to have voted on all occasions with James A. Burden. After a time the board of directors was increased to six, and James A. Burden's three sons were chosen. I. Townsend Burden's two sons have been wholly excluded. So it is now 5 to 1 against I. Townsend Burden in the board of directors. He says that in the twenty-two years since the corporation was formed no resolution offered by him has been passed and no suggestion made by him has been regarded. I. Townsend Burden alleges that the patents that James A. Burden is getting together are on machines that were the inventions of Henry Burden, and that James A. Burden merely hired some mechanics to make trivial improvements, on which patents should never have been allowed; also, that the machines are cumbersome and out of date and that the company would save \$60,000 a year by using modern machinery.

I Townsend Burden in his affidavit as-

machinery.

I. Townsend Burden in his affidavit asserts that he has inspected the operations in the factory from time to time, and that he has seen the foreman give signals to the men, whereupon they would quicken the action of the machines and turn out horseshoes faster, apparently for his benefit.

Bob Cutting is his lawyer. A suit of a similar character has already been dismissed in the State courts.

TEST NEW BUILDING-LINE LAW. Mr. McMillan Will Ask for an Injunction Against Klaw and Erlanger.

Application will be made to-day to Supreme Court Justice Gildersleeve for an njunction to restrain Klaw & Erlanger from placing ornamental pillars in front of the New Amsterdam Theatre, which they are building on West Forty-second street. The applicant is Samuel McMillan, who owns the adjacent property. He says that the pedestals for the pillars project four feet beyond the building line.

An ordinance was recently passed allowan ordinance was recently passed allowing ornamental work on buildings to project five feet beyond the building line on side streets and four feet on main thoroughfares, provided the owner pay 10 per cent. of the assessed valuation for each foot so occupied. The injunction application will test the legality of this ordinance.

EXTRA-LEGAL OFFICE BOY. Justices of the Special Sessions Pay Him

The business of the Special Sessions has ncreased so much within a few months that the Justices decided about four months ago to make an addition to the clerical force. and asked for an appropriation of \$600 a year for another clerk. The civil service commission sent four "junior clerks," who, when they found that some of their work would consist of running errands, declined

Then the Justices asked for an appro priation of \$300, instead of \$600, and priation of \$300, instead of \$600, and appointed Hugh Doyle office boy. He began his work on Jan. 1, but hasn't been paid. Last month the Justices paid him out of their own pockets and then asked Comptroller Grout to certify his pay. The Comptroller said he would, but the March payroll found Doyle's pay still held up. The Justices will shell out again and then make another attempt to cut the civil service red tane.

JAIL FOR COMMERCIAL FRAUD. Five Years the Sentence of Insolvent Who Got Credit by Lying.

Charles Kenter, formerly of the firm of Kanter & Cohen, was sentenced by Recorder Goff in the General Sessions yester tay to five years in State prison for grand larceny in the first degree. Kanter sent out a statement to merchants in September, 1901, declaring that his firm's assets were \$26,000 over liabilities, whereas the firm was insolvent at the time. He will apply for a certificate of reasonable doubt and doubtless will be released on ball while his appeal from his conviction is pending.

Joseph B. Cushman's Estate.

UTICA, April 1.-Joseph B. Cushman who died Dec. 27, 1902, left an estate which, according to the inventory which the appraisers have just finished, is worth \$1,111. 940.26. The transfer tax which will be collected from this estate and will go into collected from this estate and will go into the State treasury will be upward of \$50,000. It is the largest estate which has ever been handled by the Surrogate of Oneida county. The bulk of this great estate goes to Charles W. Cushman, atorekeeper at Vernon, N. Y. who is a grandnephew of the deceased man, and to Miss Lovina Cushman, a school-teacher at New Rochelle, who is a grandniece. These two are the residuary legatees.

Molasses as a Horse Pond. WOODMERE, L. I., April 1 .- Robert L. Burton of this place has been experiementing with molasses as a food for horses. He says he has found that he can get excellent results by using one quart of mo-lasses with three quarts of bran and a little cut hay. His horses have shown great fond-ness for the mixture and have not only be-come fat and their coats bright, but they are much improved generally. Mr. Burton attributes it to the molasses.

Young Bernhart's Body Found. The body of Albert J. Bernhart, 17 years old, of 108 Brunswick street, Newark, was found yesterday afternoon under the bridge of the Desbrosses street ferry slip in Jersey City. The youth lost his life on March 4 by attempting to jump aboard the ferry-boat Cincinnati as she was leaving the sip. He missed by a few inches and his body was forced under the bridge by the back water of the boat.

Lorillard Assessment Confirmed The Jersey City Board of Appeals desided yesterday to confirm the assessment MAY SELL SHIPS TO ANY POWER. SWEEPING CITY LIGHT BILL

"For Use for Any Purpose," Says the Amended Charter of the Shipping Trust.

Tashron, N. J., April 1.—The International Mercantile Marine Company filed an amended charter here to-day, the purpose of which is said to be to enable the GIVES COMMISSIONER MONROE VERY GREAT POWERS. Can Ignore the Ordinanees Regulating ration to overcome the objection

the Letting of Contracts and, It floems, Ignore the Bids When He Has Once Advertised—Good Bill, He Says. urged in Parliament that the British Gov ernment would be unable to control any of the company's fleet if needed for nava Robert Grier Monroe is going to Albany this morning to appear before the Cities Committee of the Assembly on the bill which he has fathered amending the Greater or military purposes. A clause has been inserted in the charter conferring upon

New York Charter in reference to lighting contracts and the power of the Commis sioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity.
The bill was introduced by Assemblyman
Finch. A close reading of it shows that it may be construed as extending in a remarkable way the powers of the Commis-First of all, the bill is so drawn that it

loes away with the requirement that the Commissioner shall prepare the terms and specifications under which contracts shall be made for lighting the streets, public buildings and parks of the city, in conformity with the ordinance regulating contracts, and permits him to advertise without plans or specifications.

It permits the use of illuminants other To still further increase the charter powthan gas and electricity.

It makes the letting of contracts for ers of the corporation the following amendment was added to the paragraph quoted lighting by separate contracts for each above: "The objects or powers specified of the boroughs of the city or separate in this article shall, except where otherwise districts, as may be determined by the expressed in said article, be in no wise Board of Estimate, permissive rather than limited or restricted by reference to, or mandatory as heretofore, and substitutes the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity for the Board of Estimate inference from, the terms of any other clause or paragraph herein, but shall be deemed each to be separate objects or in determining whether contracts shall

be let by separate boroughs or districts.

It permits separate contracts to be made be deemed to be in furtherance, and not in limitation, of the general powers con-ferred by the laws of the State of New Jerfor the illuminant or electrical energy and for the lampposts, standpipes, service pipes, burners, lanterns, globes, tops, re-flectors, lampirons and other fixtures and The amendments were ratified at a stockappurtenances or any number of parts 600,000 shares of preferred stock and 599,890 thereof, and for the work of lighting, exshares of common stock were voted by the tinguishing, cleaning and repairing the same secretary, Emerson E. Parvin, as proxy or any part thereof. This is all new, and should a Commissioner in the remote future be interested in any particular kind of lamp for Thomas W. Joyce, a stockholder, and the voting trustees, who are J. P. Mergan, W. J. Pirrie, J. B. Ismay, P. A. B. Widener or burner it affords an opportunity for nin to work it in. and Charles Steele. No other changes than those mentioned were made by the

It strikes out the provision that "Such bids shall be prepared and advertised for and such contracts shall be executed in the manner prescribed for herein as to other contracts entered into by said city or the departments thereof, and provides that "each such contract shall be made after advertisements for bids and public letting in the manner prescribed for by law or ordinance as to other contracts entered into by said city or the departments thereof."

thereof."

This language might be interpreted as meaning that the Commissioner can advertise for bids and "after" so advertising, if the proposals do not meet with his approval, he may, under the other provisions of the act, let by private contract.

Another change allows contracts to be made for a term of five years, whereas heretofore the term has been not to exceed one year.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Krctel. The prisoners were arrested by Detectives Gergan and Tucker, who arranged a trap for them. They were arrested after a talk they had with an ex-employee of the International. In discharging the defendants, Magistrate Pool criticised the complaint, and called attention to the fact that it bore the signature of a rollice detective and not the one year.
It strikes out the provision that a con-It strikes out the provision that a contract made for a given borough or district shall include all lights of a given kind used by the city in that borough or district then ordered or thereafter to be ordered by the Commissioner during the term of the contract, so that after a contract is made for the lighting of the borough or district it is left to the discretion of the Commissioner signature of a police detective and not the name of "one of the persons who seemed to be most interested in the case."

He also had this to say in announcing big designs. to make other contracts and substitute other lights than those contracted for and with other parties, as in his discretion he may see fit.

Mr. Monroe thinks its a pretty good him. als decision:

I wish to say that I acquit the District Attorney or any of his assistants of having instituted this proceeding, as it was evidently brought by these detective officers and this man Fowler, through the instrumentality of somebody else, whom I will not mention. Mr. Monroe thinks its a pretty good bill that might be better worded in spots.

BROTHER'S MURDEROUS ATTACK. Art Society Would Cut Down Their Height Italian Found Dying With Twenty Cuts in The Municipal Art Society is interesting

His Head and Arms. When Mrs. Maria Dennino went to visit her son Raphael yesterday afternoon she to a maximum of five feet, which is half the found him lying on the floor with twenty cuts on his head, hands and wrists. The present height allowed by law. The project has the cooperation of Supt. Perez M. Stewart of the Bureau of Buildings. furniture of his two rooms in the rear tene-Stewart of the Bureau of Buildings.

"I would go even further than cutting down half the present height limit of these signs," Mr. Stewart said yesterday. "I advocate their entire abolition. I believe as a citizen and as a public official that all such signs cannot be done away with too soon, not only for the artistic betterment of the city's general appearance, but as a sensible measure of safety as well. In stormy weather most of the present sky signs are likely to become a positive danger to pedestrians, despite all the precautions that may be taken to make the signs safe. There are plenty of other entirely legitimate means of advertising in existence." ment at 157 Mott street was scattered in every direction, and the floor and walls

were sprinkled with blood. Dennino, who was still conscious, told his mother that his brother Louis had attacked him with an axe and had robbed him of \$5 and a silver watch. A neighbor sent out for a policeman and he had the injured man taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. The doctors there say that his skull is frac-

Mrs. Dennino, Pietro and Rosie Contrasso and Luigi Albino, who were in the trasso and Luigi Albino, who were in the house, were all taken to the Mulberry street station and held as witnesses.

Mrs. Dennino lives at 143 Mulberry street. She said that her son Louis, who is in the United States Army or Navy—which, she was not sure—had come to her home last night and that shortly afterward her other son, Raphael, came in. She said that Louis asked his mother and brother for money and that they refused. Later in the evening the two left her house together.

FUSS OVER DR. RAINSFORD. Church Paper Doesn't Think He Did Den Christ's Mediation.

To Full Assistant, With a \$8,000 Increase The Rev. Dr. William S. Rainsford of St. George's Church declined yesterday Charles C. Nett, Jr., was appointed an to say anything about the dispute which ssistant District Attorney yesterday by has arisen in Philadelphia over a sermon District Attorney Jerome. He was a deputy he preached recently in that city at Assistant District Attorney at \$4,500 a year His salary is now \$7,500. His wife is a cousin of Mr. Jerome. He is a graduate of Wil-liams College and the Harvard law school. St. Stephen's Church.

The Church Standard of Philadelphia will say on the subject next Saturday: It has been widely asserted and believed that Dr. Rainsford openly denied the Me-distorship of our Lord Jesus Christ. The statement, however, is very emphatically denied by intelligent persons who were present and who say they clearly understood Dr. Rainsford to be speaking, not of our Lord's Mediatorship, but of the interven-tion of human priests between God and

Dr. Rainsford did say yesterday at a Lenten service in his own church in this city that "too much had been made of the me diation of Jesus Christ. There must be direct relation between God and man. Every man must be conscious of God within himself."

Syracuse Overrun With Crooks. SYRACUSE, April 1 .- Syracuse is overrun with crooks from Auburn State Prison and other nearby jails, whose terms have recently expired. About fifty have been turned loose and many are operating again. Valuable jewelry and money have been taken from several families.

Hore Police Courts Needed, Says Cornell. Magistrate Cornell lectured at Columbia University yesterday on "The City Magistrates' Courts." He said that although the number of courts had been increased to seven they were already greatly over-crowded.

The Rush of Immigrants. Sixty-five thousand three hundred and seventy-six immigrants landed at Ellis Island last month; the figures for March, 1902, are 57,666.

Carvalho-Plerce.

Miss Jesselyn Emily Pierce and Bertram Nunes Carvalho were married last evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis B. Pierce, 56 East 133d street. The bride wore white satin, with lace, chiffon, tulle and orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of liles of the walley. There were a reception and supper afterward.

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"JOKE" ON CORBETT BACKERS.

M'GOVERN WINS, ANNOUNCER SAID-MONEY PAID OVER.

Barney Lewis's Keen Sense of All Fools' Day Humor Isn't Appreciated by the Gang at Stitch McCarthy's Who Had Bet on Corbett-He's in Hiding Now

A crowd of East Side politicians and the unreformed Engelites, who is alleged to have played an April Fool joke with serious financial consequences to a crowd of

bettors on the McGovern-Corbett fight. The joke was played early yesterday morning in the Stitch McCarthy bowling alleys in Forsyth street. McCarthy adverised several days ago that the result of he fight, round by round, would be received by telephone in his establishment and a oig crowd turned out.

on a blackboard himself and hired Lewis o take the news over the telephone. Beting before the fight was lively, Big Jack Martin, manger of the Engel-Hochstim saloon acting as stakeholder. McCarthy's first announcement was tha

McCarthy arranged to write the bulletins

McGovern in the first round hit Corbett four times in succession on the face and closed up one of his eyes.

"It will be all over in der next round," shouted Eat-Em-Up-Jack McManus. "Terry will be on der Bowery wid der long green in a week."

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In the second round it was announced that Corbett had knocked McGovern through the ropes and was saved from a knockout by the gong.

"Yon hundredt tollar by fifty on Corbette," shouted Jake Messman and his money was covered.

In the next round McCarthy wrote that McGovern had landed three straight body blows on Corbett. Then there was more betting on McGovern, and Martin had to stow the money in his hat.

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Up to the eleventh round the reports furnished by Lewis favored first one fighter, then the other. It was about 2 o'clock in the morning when Lewis shouted: "Here you go, Stitch; here is the last round! McGovern knocks out Corbett stiff. They think he killed him."

Martin immediately commenced to pay over the Corbett money to those who had bet on McGovern, while Lewis fied.

It was not until after the crowd departed that McCarthy learned the truth. Then he went in search of Lewis, but failed to find him.

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by about a dozen Corbett backers who demanded the money. "I paid der money over," said Martin "I paid der money over," said Martin.
"Search me for any more." The crowd got
so threatening that he fied for Bath Beach.
Early yesterday morning Lewis called
him up on the telephone and said:
"Hey Jack, that was a bully joke I played
on the gang wasn't it? Why didn't any of
those guys get wise to the fact that it was
April Fool's day?"

"If I get punched," replied Martin, "the

April Fool's day?

If I get punched, replied Martin, the first time I meet you, I will give you two for every one I get."

The Corbett bettors were searching the East Side yesterday for the Sullivanites who got the money, but those they found announced that they must abide by the decision of the stakeholder.

Intunction Stops Sheriff's Sale. A petition in involuntary bankrupter

was filed yesterday against Max Newmark and Samuel Pollon (Newmark & Pollon) dealers in gas fixtures and plumbers' sup plies at 103 Orchard street, by the Ameri can Brass and Copper Company, a creditor, can Brass and Copper Company, a creditor, for \$650. The Birmingham Brass Company had obtained judgment for \$538, on which the Sheriff levied on the assets of the firm. Deputy Sheriff Plunkett had a sale of the assets yesterday, but it was stopped by an injunction from Judge Holt of the United States District Court after \$620 worth of goods had been sold.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., April L-Announce ment has been made here that at a secret meeting of the executive board of the New York Chautauqua Association, held on Feb. 28, the Rev. Dr. W. H. Hickman, ex-chancellor of Depauw University, was chosen president to succeed the late Clem Studebaker.

New Chautauqua President.

Low Tax Rate for Breeklyn. Tax Commissioner Rufus L. Scott of Brooklyn, estimates that the tax rate in that borough this year will be about 1.53. Last year Brooklynites paid on \$85,000,000 erscnal taxes. This year the amount be increased to between \$125,000,000

The Telephone —

and \$130,000,000.

There are many thousands in service in Manhattan and the Bronx, and many more are being installed daily.

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Bishop M. F. Burke of St. Joseph, Me. who went abroad to attend the Pope's jubilee and also to make an investigation of the expulsion from France of the religious orders, returned yesterday by the North German Lloyd steamship Kaleer Wilhelm der Grosse. He said:

"France appears to desire to be detianized. It is not merely a case of attacking the Catholic Church, but all religion. England has offered those expelled an asylum on the island of Goso in the Mediterranean. Those who are not going to Canada and this country will get to Gozo. The Christian world should be grateful to England in this matter.

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8th, at 8 o'Clock. The sales-will be conducted by THOMAS E. KIRBY, of the American Art Association, Managers East 23d St., Madison Sq. South.

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